

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
HOHNEKER ET AL.

Art Unit: 1642
Examiner: B. Fetterolf

APPLICATION NO: 10/517,074

FILED: DECEMBER 6, 2004

FOR: COMBINATIONS COMPRISING EPOTHILONES AND
PHARMACEUTICAL USES THEREOF

Commissioner for Patents
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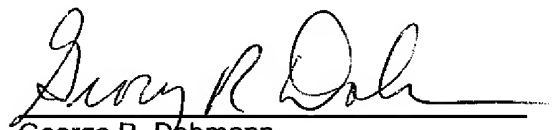
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of July 24, 2008 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on October 24, 2008. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1110 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,



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